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COLOMBIA.

*Confirming report of two more cases of yellow fever at Bocas del Toro—
Fruit port.*

BOCAS DEL TORO, COLOMBIA, *July 28, 1900.*

SIR: I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of cablegram, through Acting Asst. Surg. J. G. Thomas, at Limon, instructing me to prohibit passenger traffic on fruit vessels to the United States.

The situation has not improved, 2 additional cases of yellow fever having appeared in the immediate neighborhood of the Bielig case. One of these cases is in the person of a young German, clerk, whose condition is now grave. The other, a mild case, was that of a lady from Novia Scotia, and is now on the road to recovery. Dr. Osterhout's wife is now convalescent.

The fruit companies are now sending vessels to northern ports, preferably to Philadelphia.

As Limon has placed a quarantine against Bocas, I may have some difficulty in getting cable messages through, but I intend to inform you of conditions as soon as I can get a message to Dr. Thomas.

Respectfully,

HERMAN B. MOHR,

Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,

U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

Report from Bocas del Toro—Fruit port.

BOCAS DEL TORO, COLOMBIA, *July 28, 1900.*

SIR: I have the honor to submit report for the week ended July 28. The following vessels have been inspected during the week: July 23, *George Dumois*, Jentoft, 17 crew, no passengers, to Mobile. July 25, *Ethelwold*, Henshaw, 25 crew, no passengers, to Baltimore; *Kitty*, Martensen, 19 crew, no passengers, to Mobile via Limon. July 28, *Colombia*, Hertzberg, 17 crew, no passengers, to Philadelphia; *Yumuri*, Boe, 17 crew, no passengers, to Philadelphia.

The *George Dumois* left here early in the morning of the 23d, before the presence of infection was decided on. My cablegram, however, left here just twenty-four hours after departure of said vessel. All of the other vessels received foul bills of health. This report leaves a few hours later than my special of the same date, in which I advise the appearance of 2 additional cases, and I can now report that the case I considered grave is doing well. After close inquiry through the town no new or suspicious cases have been found.

Respectfully,

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[Cablegram.]

No yellow fever since July 26.

BOCAS DEL TORO, COLOMBIA, *August 7, 1900.*

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No yellow fever development since July 26. * * *

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